

LESSON

16

PRACTICE WORKSHEET A

Decision Making

COPYMASTER

Directions: Read the following *summary* of the *beginning* of “Papa’s Parrot,” by Cynthia Rylant. Then answer the questions about Harry’s decision making.

As a child in elementary school, Harry and his friends visited Harry’s father’s candy and nut shop every day after school, even after they stopped liking those snacks. Harry’s father enjoyed the visits from Harry and his friends. When Harry and his friends turned twelve and started junior high school, they had new interests to explore after school. For example, they were into video games, music, and hamburgers rather than candy and nuts.

1. Based on the summary, which of the following questions expresses the decision that Harry might have faced around the time he started junior high school?
 - a. Will Harry keep visiting his father at the candy and nut shop after school?
 - b. Will Harry start liking candy and nuts again?
 - c. Will Harry take over his father’s shop when he graduates from school?
2. Based on the information in the summary, which of the following is an option for Harry when he starts junior high school?
 - a. dropping out of school and working full-time in his father’s shop
 - b. spending time and money on video games, music, and hamburgers instead of visiting the candy and nut shop
 - c. skipping his homework
3. What might be an immediate consequence if Harry chooses to still visit his father’s shop after school instead of hanging out with his friends?
 - a. Harry’s friends might tease him for acting like a little child.
 - b. Harry’s father will be unhappy.
 - c. Harry will start to gain weight.
4. What could be a final outcome if Harry chooses to still visit his father’s shop after school instead of hanging out with his friends?
 - a. Harry and his father grow to dislike each other.
 - b. Harry loses his friends.
 - c. Harry develops diabetes.